Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to a new term - with new challenges and amidst a very strange time. As I said in my letter last week: thank you to all of our parents and families for your patience and co-operation with staggered times, preparation of PE kits on correct days and more besides. Actually—many children I speak to on the playground tell me of lots of things they are enjoying as they have returned to school—being in year group bubbles throughout the day; wearing their PE kit all day; being outside lots etc. As we knew they would—the children in school are demonstrating great resilience and getting used to a new “normal” very quickly! I would like to thank the staff at school for making the transition back into school so smooth. All of the staff in school have been flexible to new timings, supporting lunchtimes, caring for pupils with a positive attitude whilst adhering to a weighty risk assessment.

As ever there will be lots going on in school this term despite the “uncertain times” and we are looking forward to motivating and inspiring children in their learning journey with a “broad and ambitious curriculum!” More will come out about our remote learning strategy which is being considered in light of parent and pupil feedback. Do let us know if you have any questions or comments. We are always happy to listen!

Nicky Bridges

“A GOOD school”

To be a community of learners - children, staff & parents - aiming high to excel & exceed. We believe in motivating and inspiring all learners so they embrace challenge with resilience, show respect and collaborate well so they can achieve excellence.”

Book Loving School!

I hope your child has come home and talked about the books they are sharing as a class. Our ambition to be a BOOK LOVING SCHOOL is still strong and we will be remotely sharing books across school every Monday.

We will continue to encourage children to get their Reading Diary signed at least x5 a week! Well done to all those children who completed the online Summer Library Challenge this year.

We hope we will continue to inspire you with many more titles to enjoy across the term!
Working together with Parents...

We know that parents are the key educators in their child’s life and believe that building great relationships with pupils and parents is crucial in ensuring your child makes good progress in their learning.

This has never been more true as parents took over the role of the teacher for (some of you!) over the last six months! We always like to share with parents key areas to be aware of in each year group and this year we unfortunately will not be able to hold our parents open afternoons.

Every class has a “welcome to class ________” video which introduces you to your child’s teacher and shows you round their classroom. These are on the school website. We know that many of our parents will want to know a bit more about the expectations of their child in their new year group and so each year group will produce a video which will give you all the information you will need in a remote format! You will be sent a MarvellousMe prompt with the link to this video at the end of next week.

Termly Project Organisers for the Autumn Term 2020 are now available so parents are aware of what areas of the curriculum their child is learning about throughout the Autumn term. These are also on our school website: www.robinhood.nottingham.sch.uk

We are proud to be a school which has Marvellous Me—an app which allows school to keep in touch with parents about their child’s learning and school day. If you are not signed up, please come and speak to your child’s class teacher who will support you in getting involved!

LEARNER REVIEWS...

We are committed to building great relationships with parents who we believe are the key educators in their child’s life.

Usually we run Learner Reviews (30 min parent / teacher conference alongside the child). This is not possible this term and so we will make a phone call to you this half term and next half term.

The focus of the teacher phone call to a parent this half term (late September / early October) will be to discuss with you how your child has settled back at school / any concerns you or the teacher has

You will receive a half day slot this half term and your child’s teacher will ring to catch up with you. We would encourage you to make a note of the day and answer the call on this day.

No NUT SCHOOL!

We know we cannot guarantee no nuts on site but we are reminding parents that we ask you NOT to send your child in with ANY NUT PRODUCT. This includes personal hand sanitisers (which your child may have if they are prone to sensitive skin). Please be aware we have multiple children in school with nut allergies and we aim to avoid any issues as much as we are able to.
CORONAVIRUS UPDATE!

Guidance is constantly being published and the media is reflecting rising numbers of coronavirus cases. If your child has ANY coronavirus symptoms they should NOT come to school and you should get a test.

NO ONE SHOULD COME INTO SCHOOL IF THEY FEEL THEY HAVE SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS:
• New, continuous cough
• High temperature
• Loss of taste or smell (anosmia)
• Shortness of breath

If you are not sure—use the symptom tracker https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/

Stay in contact with school.

IF ANY MEMBER OF THE HOUSEHOLD HAS CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS—YOU MUST ARRANGE A TEST FOR THAT CHILD / ADULT. THE ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD MUST REMAIN OFF SCHOOL AND WORK UNTIL YOU HAVE A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT.

FLU VACCINATION—OPT IN ONLINE!

Information has been emailed to you this week about your child receiving the flu vaccination nasal spray. We strongly advise parents to OPT IN to this. You have to do this ONLINE. Contact the school office if you have any questions.

SOCIAL MEDIA COVID-19 UPDATE!

This is an anxious time for lots of us. As a school we have clear systems and procedures in place to reduce the spread of coronavirus.

Parents will be given advice if they feel their child is showing coronavirus symptoms to get tested.

We advise you to consider the posts you may make on social media so that whatever you do share does not unduly alarm other parents or members of our school community.

If school are made aware of a POSITIVE coronavirus test result, swift action will be taken. We will contact the LA and the Local Health Protection Team and complete a rapid risk assessment and plan of action to take. We will always keep parents informed with accurate information as and when we have it.
Welcome back to Mrs Andrews (Year 2) and welcome to new teacher Miss Christie (Year 2). We are incredibly lucky to have such a dedicated staff team at Robin Hood and we will continue to be as approachable as we can bearing in mind the current climate! Do come and talk to any one of us at any time if you have any concerns about your child. Senior leaders are very much out and about at the start and end of the day and we will try and deal with any queries as efficiently as we can.

**STAFFING**

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**Wrap Around & After School Provision**

This is available to book in on Parent Pay for £3 a session and offers parents the ability to drop off at 8am and pick up at 3:30pm regardless of your child’s staggered start time. Children need to enter through the main reception area and are taken to their year group wrap around care provision. Breakfast is provided.

**Brainy Breakfast:**

We ran a very successful Brainy Breakfast last year which was open to all pupils in receipt of pupil premium. Children are provided with breakfast and time working with Teaching Assistants in year group bubbles around school and are given the opportunity to access Mathletics, Bug Club and read! Please look out for a Brainy Breakfast invite and encourage your child to attend from 8:00am!

**Begins Monday 28th September!**

**Key Dates for Parents**

Friday 2nd October—Themed Science Day across school in our year group bubbles
WB Monday 5th October—Big Draw Festival “A Climate of Change”
Tuesday 13th October – Individual Pupil School Photos Taken (Covid-secure precautions will be taken)
Friday 16th October – Break up from School

(TWO WEEK HALF TERM HOLIDAY)

Monday 2nd November—Return to school
Friday 13th November – Children in Need
WB Monday 16th November—Anti Bullying Week
**FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER—INSET DAY** **Children not in school on this day**
Friday 11th December—Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18th December—Break up from School

Monday 4th January 2021—Return to school for Spring Term

Look out for our Termly Project Organisers which will have important dates on for events happening in your child’s class.